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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ex rel. ERICKSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
PHYSICIANS, et al.,

Defendants.

NO. C99-1261R

ORDER

This matter having come before the Court on the United States' Notice of Intervention and the Joint Stipulation of Dismissal filed by the United States and the Relator, and the Court being fully advised in the matter,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties having agreed to a settlement of this matter, the Court finds that it is fair, adequate, and reasonable pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(c)(2)(B) and (b)(1), and, accordingly, the Court consents to the Joint Stipulation of Dismissal;

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the claims and causes of action set forth in the Complaint are hereby dismissed with prejudice; provided, however, that the Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the settlement agreement between

1 the Parties.

2 AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the seal shall be lifted only as to the
3 following documents: the Complaint, the Joint Stipulation of Dismissal, and this Order.

4 All other pleadings, including, but not limited to, all requests for extensions, partial
5 lifting of the seal, and any memoranda and declarations in support thereof, shall remain
6 under seal at this time. The Parties are ordered to show cause why this Court file should
7 not be unsealed. The Parties, and any interested parties, may file written briefs, under
8 seal (if deemed necessary), within ten (10) days of entry of this Order. Such briefs shall
9 be limited to no more than ten (10) pages.

10 IT IS SO ORDERED,

11 This 30th day of April, 2004.

12 s/ Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
13 United States District Judge
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